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Health & safety concerns for local children in the area as well as runoff & pollution concerns to nearby water ways & bodies of water. A couple 24 hour stations already exists in near proximity & a third seems way too much for this particular area.

The has station will be located directly behind our house. Along with my son attending Hilda j he will be using the bus stop next year. He is 4 and god forbid something happens. Along with heavy traffic already accumulated at that intersection due to exit ramps and already two gas stations and people going in and out of town. Yes they would get business but it would cause major traffic for this intersection. Moving it to another location would be better.

The roads are not designed to handle the traffic. They are passed maximum capacity as it is. The noise pollution and potential rise in crime

This will be a danger to our children and way of life. Pollution (lite, noise, trash), crime, drugs, sex trafficking, and decline of property value are just a few of the reasons I oppose the prospective construction of a Sheetz store at the bottom of Apple Mountain. My children and grandchildren live on this mountain as well. We do not want the impact to our quiet way of life. I want my family to live in a quiet, safe environment. I feel the negative impact in so many areas, a Sheetz store would make, would be detrimental to our way of life.

1. Child safety and location of bus stop. I would not let my children stand close to strangers frequenting this site. People moved here for a sense of community and the small neighborly feel. 2. Water, light, and noise pollution in an area people moved to avoid those things. Essentially taking away a way of living more peacefully in nature and value homeowners have already secured locating away from busy high volume non residents frequenting the site. 3. There are already 2 gas stations with convenience items around the corner. We don't need this. If anything, we need a mom and pop restaurant/With outdoor seating in nature cafe for the residents here. A safe and healthy eating choice after school snack place attached there, too, near that bus stop.

My husband and purchased what we thought was our forever home. Now we will be forced to sell our home because of a gas station going in 1/2 block from our home which will be dangerous for our grandchild to not only live near but have to go to a school bus stop next to the gas station. We bought here to get away from the hectic city

this is a bus stop for children and a very big bus stop. Plus the air quality, the noise, the traffic alone is awful during rush hour and on the weekends. There is a truck stop 10miles away at 7-11.

Unwanted and increased mororized traffic. Potential drug, sex trafficking area and criminal activity that can easily move into the Apple Mountain community. Unsafe area for school-aged children to wait for transportation. Environmental concerns from increased consumption, potential leaks, enhanced area lighting and the disruption to animal habitats, feeding and breeding patterns.

There is absolutely no need for another gas station in this area, or a truck stop. This will impact everyone living here on the mountain, with increased traffic, noise, and pollution. It will also endanger children in that area who use the school bus stop there. It will also increase the risk of a toxic spill that could contaminate our ground water. Please do NOT allow this to go forward!

We have 2 gas stations already within 1/2 mile of the proposed site. And the Apple house is convenient for other food purchases. Light / sound pollution is not something I would be happy to experience any more of. Enough is enough as far as commercial establishments is concerned. We DO NOT need ANOTHER gas station in close proximity to us or the other stations.

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What's not to worry about? Drugs, trafficking, cancer, unnecessary traffic, our kids are the utmost priority and this Sheetz would pose a perfect opportunity for anyone to snatch a child and jump right on 66.

It is too close to our residential community. It is also being placed right next to a school bus stop which increases the risk of abductions and sex trafficking of the children in our community. It will make the traffic much worse for our small town

Area wells and streams will be in jeopardy for low water risk. Contamination could become an issue. Poses a very high risk and safety concerns for Apple Mountain children and family members due to high volume of traffic by bus stop. Disability specific needs will need to be met for required handicap rezoning. Very high risk in water contamination and low water risk. Lived there for nearly 30 years. Protected wildlife of Raising awareness due to wildlife and forestry background that any wildlife of Eagles, bear, fox, deer etc will be in huge jeopardy of being forced to be aggressively uprooted creating an unhealthy environment for wildlife.

I'm the father of four children. I am extremely concerned with Sheetz going in at the bottom of our mountain (Apple Mountain Lake). I have done some research on the potential issues that a Sheetz might bring to our community as a whole and my family in particular. There are so many potential issues from increased traffic and congestion to the entrance to our community, to underground gas leaks, to major tractor-trailer accidents, to our wells being impacted, to the very peacefulness that brought my family out to Linden 25 years ago. I am sure Sheetz is going to say "It's okay, we've done the studies." but it's not okay. The risks are too great. Other areas where these fears have become reality are or are becoming unlivable and people having to pack up and leave. That is a risk I am not willing to take and I'm sure if it was your family you wouldn't take that risk either.

Traffic, pollution, crime, all the entrances and exits to 66 Apple Mountain and 55 will need to be wider. That exit backs up during leaf season

Crowdedness and the kids get picked up by the bus there with a Sheetz there will be too much traffic making it dangerous

Traffic

Traffic, safety, property values,

wild life impact Well water impact Drug/human traffic risk and exposure Child endangerment

Increased traffic on an already over stressed road. Property devaluation.

The amount of traffic that would flow in and out of this area would jeopardize the safety of a bus zone and residential zone with kids at play. Not only safety risks but many health risks at stake here as well. Please reconsider your next location, elsewhere.

The impacts of this proposed land development are irreversible and would bring serious changes to the wildlife in the area. Building another gas station in an area that already has two is not only unnecessary but rather pointless.

The runoff will pollute the stream that runs into a river that we recreate in. Noise will increase. Garbage will go into the environment. There are two other stations at this exit. One more is not needed.

The increased traffic entering and exiting near our school bus stop will be in increased risk. Also the potential for a reduced water table that will come from a large commercial well will have a severe impact on the community, as well as the potential for gas and oil spills that could affect the water quality.

Water pollution, damage to water table, air pollution, noise and air pollution.

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Our family purchased a home in Apple Mountain over 15 years ago. We moved here to raise our children in the clean peaceful tranquility that the local environment provides. Building a gigantic truck stop directly in our neighborhood would be a tragic event for all of the families who live here. Even if you could stop or ignore the problems that come along with a massive truck stop like drugs, prostitution and high traffic there would still be irreparable damage to the community. The amount of traffic noise and pollution that a truck stop like this would bring directly into our neighborhood could never be repaired. The local wildlife ecosystem would also suffer a massive disruption with permanent consequences. This must be stopped long before any building takes place. This land is zoned for agricultural and residential for a reason. It does not make sense to rezone the area into a commercial/industrial zone as it is directly in a large residential area. AML is a well-water community where families rely on the clean underground water source for their very life. That clean water source would be inevitably contaminated by this project. We already have two other gas stations at this exit that are placed away from the residential area and they can more than fulfill the needs of the local community. There is no positive outcome related to this truck stop for the homeowners in the AML community. This will only benefit the Sheetz corporation and the local politicians that will profit by destroying our community. Allowing this to be built on land that is legally zoned for only agricultural and residential purposes is a crime against every citizen of Linden. This project will tear apart a good community of tax paying citizens that have worked their entire life to pay for their property. There is a reason that this project has been rejected and kicked out of both Markham and Marshall in Fauquier County. We value our rural area attributes and our close-knit community. We do not desire to live in or raise our families in a bustling hub of dangerous activity like Fairfax County or Washington DC. The presence of this massive corporate truck stop would change our community for the worse and that change would be permanent. If this land is rezoned and this project goes through then our quiet beautiful town and neighborhood will be no more.

Noise and air pollution. Agricultural areas being destroyed for so called "progress". From September to November, you already have trouble getting on and off that exit, with THOUSANDS coming to see leaves change color! The traffic because of a Sheetz will be terrible. Our wells can not just run dry, but face chance of contamination!!! We already need a ban of building residential homes!!!

Because it's a health issue.

The increased traffic exiting and entering I66 is a danger to all the children at the bus stop. Also, it will more than likely put the other two gas stations out of business. Why do we need three gas stations in Linden? All right next to each other??? It makes no sense. When these two gas stations go out of business, they will just be empty and deteriorate.

Many reasons why this is a bad idea, the bus stop and bus turn around area, the noise and light pollution, there are ALREADY 2 gas stations in Linden, did I mention the noise and light pollution? And don't get me started about the Shenandoah and the amount of runoff from our area that ends up in the river? Come on people, let's think about this some more!

Affect on our well. Traffic. Crime. Negative impact to property value.

The proposed gas station would hurt our quality of life, with pollution, noise pollution, and traffic. If this proposal goes through it will not be a place I would want to live anymore! It is a horrible plan for this neighborhood, please do not develop anything in that location. Think of the children in this neighborhood waiting for the bus breathing deadly gas fumes.

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I am concerned about the potential for increased pollutants, environmental impact, noise on the mountain, and impact on surrounding kids. We already have 2 gas stations in Linden. There's no need for another one.

I always been concerned about of the safety of the kids waiting for the school bus just by the regular community traffic, so many of this kids even walk by themselves. This is a beautiful place to live. If they allow this construction, soon will be more and soon not more mountains.

It all has to do with the childrens safety!

My name is Erica Gates. I am the mother of 2 boys. I moved to Linden from Gainesville to live in a more spacious and safer area. The idea of dropping my children off at a gas station to catch the bus just terrifies me. Human trafficking is huge business and a bus stop at a gas station is a perfect place for predators to look for new victims. How easy would it be for them to snatch a child and get right on 66 to 81 and never see that child again? My second concern is water. The possibility of a gas tank leaking in to our water is more of a probability than a possibility. Also, I'm concerned that the amount of water Sheetz would need would take from our water supply. I'm not sure what I would do if our well were to run dry. We already have 2 gas stations, we do not need another. Thank you, Erica Gates

There is already so much traffic on apple mountain ,there are times when traffic is backed up at exit to the light at Apple my store with tourist that come in the fall this would only add to the back ups .We enjoy are mountain living and don't need another store this is where children are waiting to go to school how can that be safe?

It interferes with the wellbeing of friends and family who live in and around Apple Mountain

The health of everyone at AML, LLPO, Skyland Estates, which could be the adverse affect of any type leak be it gas or benzene. Our children being exposed to gas station riff riff. Diesel smell (unhealthy air). Noise and additional traffic. Water levels (wells in the area already have issues). This is agricultural land !! Wildlife, streams, run off into our lakes. Property values. Your vote to upend our quality of life, could result in a no vote from us the next election. Fauquier County officials said NO. We expect the same from our "elected" officials !!!

There is already a lot of traffic coming off of 66 making the intersection very busy. Allowing Sheetz will cause a significant increase in traffic. Home values will also be decreased. There is already two gas stations right off of 66. Allowing Sheetz to enter will cause these gas stations hardships.

The site is within 500 feet of my house on Apple Orchard Dr. As a working mother my children often walk to the bus stop, and are home after school by themselves. I am very concerned about the increased traffic and the safety issues that will create for my children, as well as the noise, fumes, and light pollution this will create. There are plenty of other available sites to choose from, please let us keep our neighborhood a safe and family friendly environment.

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Already have two gas stations off exit 13. My beliefs is no need for a third. Apple mtn is a community subdivision with young children and putting a bus stop behind a gas station is not safe or sanitary. Putting a gas station will just pull more people off the interstate into a well kept neighborhood where they could conduct in criminal activity. Most people are not from the area so they wouldn't care about the appearance or safety for people around. Apple mtn is one of the most welp kept neighborhoods in warren county with moderate to high property values. Putting a gas station within couple hundred feet of these homes will severely hurt the housing market for this location which will lower property taxes the county receives in revenue every year. I don't believe the revenue sheetz brings to the county will be greater than the amount of lost income from the housing market. The gas station will take a huge effect on property values due to the fact no one wants to pay an extensive amount of money to live next to a gas station.

Our family moved to Virginia from Michigan five years ago. We chose Apple Mountain Lake because we loved the mountain atmosphere, wooded areas, wildlife and the fact that our water, when tested came back 99.99% pure. We love the fresh air and going out on our deck at night to see a Fireflies and bats flying around. We hear the sounds of the woods and love that we do not live in the city. We would not have moved to this mountain if there was a gas station at the entrance. People who are looking to buy homes in the future will look at that as a negative as well. If Sheetz builds here, it will alter the mountain atmosphere making it feel less woodsy and more commercial. It will cause the beautiful moonlit evenings to be destroyed by gas station lights. The stars will be less visible to homes closest to the station. Wildlife will flee or be hit by vehicles. Our water will become contaminated by fuel. These are all unacceptable and will all cause our property values to plunge. The worst thing that will eventually occur from the Sheetz being located at AML is that people will get cancer from the water that will become contaminated by fuel which always happens in these situations. Once again the government, this time our county government, is putting big business ahead of our welfare. The county, who works for us, needs to deny any rezoning of this land. Our lives depend on it.

Traffic and criminals at truck stop where our children get on the bus

Traffic, safety. And there is just no need! There are already a Sheetz and truck rest area within a very short distance of this proposed location. Exit 13 is congested enough.

Environmental and child safety

It is within a 1000 ft of my house and after reading all of the effects this can have on our environment and the people of Apple Mountain Lake, no way can you be for this.

Transient traffic, water runoff, over developing, pushing out wildlife, noise. Plenty of Gas options already on exit 13 and at 6

My husband and I live in the Apple Mountain West community. Though on the opposite side of exit 13 where Sheetz has proposed their new location, we are completely against the total disruption this would cause to the Apple Mountain community. There is a truck stop one exit down at exit 6 that's much easier to access and in an appropriate location. There's absolutely no need for the added traffic, pollution, potential endangerment to the children and neighborhood, or to tear up the land and trees, which is one of the many reasons people live out here...just for corporate greed.

My grandkids live on apple mountain and I'm concerned for their safety without the traffic going through there on 81 and 66. Perfect route for child trafficking.

I don't think a truck stop in that location is smart nor safe for the residents of linden. There a better places to put a truck stop. The traffic that would bring right there would be a nightmare!!

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My kids bus stop is here and we don't need all of these strangers around. This can cause more kidnappings and other crimes in our quiet nice community. We have 2 gas stations we don't need anymore

have great concern about the water table and our well either running dry or being contaminated by this proposed sheetz. I am also concerned about the additional traffic on the north side of exit 13 as it gets quite bad now trying to get in and put of apple mountain during school season and fall when tourist activity greatly increases.

I strongly object to the placement of a gas station convenience store. My family and I live across from Apple Mountain and about a mile from the proposed site. An additional gas station-convenience store will place strain on our water table, irreparably harm the landscape, create an increase in transient through-traffic, cause more light, noise and fuel pollution and likely increase crime in our area. We already have 2 gas stations just off Exit 13 from I-66 and have no community need for a third. Additionally, there is a truck rest area approximately 7 miles to the west of this area as well as another gas station-convenience store in the same area (Exxon off Exit 6) for truck rest and refueling. The harm to our community far exceeds the minuscule benefit of such an establishment. To protect the area now, and in the future, this land should not be rezoned from agricultural use.

The safety and well being of my children and the neighborhood children ,light pollution and more litterting around the mountain.

I'm worried about the safety of my child w the bus stop being tucked back. Worried it'll bring in crime. Along with the fact, I don't want my well to dry up.

Traffic trying to get into the community is a concern. Noise travels up the mountain. Safety of children in the community. Concern of utilities going up.

For the environmental, social, and community concerned reasons that are being raised. There is also no need for a gas station at this location. There are already two. The corporate selfish wants do not outweigh the concerns of existing landowners and those invested in our community.

safety concerns for the children at the bus stop and walking on our rural roads.

A third gas station is unnecessary and would devastate our water table, and drastically increase light pollution.

Our water levels within our community (we've all got wells). The integrity of our our community, be it security, the impact towards our property value, the traffic, wildlife etc.

my children's safety

My mother in law's house is with in the 1,000 feet! This is crazy to think that a gas station could be that close to her house. It will cause even more traffic, pollution and health risk! Having kids standing at a bus stop that close to a gas station....come on!! This is just flat out ridiculous!

Environmental, save the rivers and lakes

My kid wants to the bus stop and home from the bus stop, as many others do as well. I don't feel like it would be safe for them to walk with the extra cars on the roads, extra "bad" people who traffic kids or steal them or even worse, and I also worry about our water table. I live on Apple Mountain and I would like to have water in my well, not have all the lights and or sounds like the "city" life. We moved here to be away from that.

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Area wells will be in jeopardy and at risk as well as streams for contamination. Low water risk as well. Poses a very high risk and safety concerns for Apple Mountain children due to high volume of traffic by bus stop. Will continue to pose safety risk doing non school months due to children and families walking. Raising awareness especially for the disability children in ascertaining specific needs are met in required rezoning. Very high risk in water contamination and low water risk.

What is there NOT to be concerned about?? Children waiting in a parking lot of a gas station....what could possibly go wrong there??? Crime,traffic,environment, wildlife, light pollution, noise etc. We have lived on Apple Mountain for 31 years and moved here to live in a peaceful bucolic setting. When we moved here the first traffic light was in Front Royal. We have seen way too much development of this area and there is NO reason to have a THIRD gas station/convenience store at Exit 13.

I own property on the Mountain and fear the repercussions building a sheets will have on our Community, wild life, quality of life and home values. With 2 gas stations meters away, I'm not sure this best serves our community or Warren County.

There are many reason, health and safety of children. The increase of traffic. The light pollution that disrupts fireflies, bats, and ruins our stargazing. The habitat loss for animals, the streams that are important for frogs and amphibians.

Traffic at the entrance to our community, noise, crime and environmental pollution.

I am very concerned not only for our children, because they would be in such close proximity to unhealthy foods, fumes, and chemicals. I also worry about increased risk of sexual abuse, crime, and trafficking. It's no secret places like this right off the highway are used for trafficking drugs and sex. Our children could be at increased risk of exposure to such things, or even worse outcomes. The area is a valuable wildlife corridor, destroying further habitat will only increase animals need to migrate to other wild area, across a highway. Putting both their lives and human lives in danger. Finally, I have great concern for our water table. We are not on city water is gets recycled, we are on a limited aqua-fir. Already wells begin to dry up all over the area because of increased development of homes. The amount of water this project would consume would be catastrophic.

My nephews live on apple Mountain Lake and the thought of extra traffic and people coming off the highway is very concerning. Along with the water issues.

Safety concerns as outlined in this petition.

The health and wellness of our community will be put in DIRECT danger if this rezoning is allowed to happen. A major corporation should NOT be allowed to have zones changed just to accommodate their unquenchable thirst for more profits, at the expense of the people who moved there under existing laws.

I would not like to see the surrounding businesses effected negatively by an eye sure such as that. And on top of that the area is just not sure for such traffic. The clearing and work that would have top be done to achieve that are the exact reason people live/move here to get away from. Sure Sheetz is great but not here

Concerned about the kid's safety at the school bus, safety and effect on our wells and the overall negative aesthetic impact it would have on our community. Home values will go down. We have lived here for 26 years. We do not need another gas station nearby. The Exxon and 7-11 are sufficient.

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I oppose this land being used as a gas station-convenience store. For several reasons: 1. The potential for substantial traffic congestion at the entrance to our quiet community and the associated potential threat to homeowners traveling in and out of the community. 2. The social degradation of the entrance to the community and the possibility of inviting undesirables into proximity of the community. 3. My most important concern: The land surrounding the proposed gas and convenience store will be re-zoned for commercial use. It is much larger than the proposed construction. I am concerned that the proposed construction is an initial step by Sheetz to eventually expand the property into the very multi-laned truck stop they originally proposed. This will be easily doable despite universal opposition by the Apple Mountain Lake community. It will destroy our community.

Completely unnecessary and dangerous to the community

I believe that building this gas station in this area would greatly impact those of us who own homes on Apple Mountain. It threatens our water quality and our children's safety with bringing traffic from 66 to the entrance of our neighborhood.

My mom and step dad live with in the range of the 1,000 feet from the gas station. My daughter who is 1 and I visit every weekend. I have already had the "pleasure" of getting in an accident at that exit ramp. There is enough traffic already! Why cause more?! There are already 2 gas stations right off of that exit as well as the Apple House. Why pull business elsewhere and risk losing a small business that has been around forever! Not to mention the eye sore and the property value for those homes on the mountain and the wildlife! The bear, deer and other animals. How will this affect them as well?

Many reasons but particularly disrupted community, danger to children waiting at the bus stop due to emissions, unhealthy food availability and increased danger from traffic and transients. In addition the light, noise, water table, people traveling with dogs leaving waste and physical trash pollution in the area will be detrimental and extensive to the area.

Too much traffic from interstate in our small mountain town. The roads are already congested in that area. We already have TWO gas stations. I will not shop the Sheetz.

Any convenience store / gas station would strain resources, dramatically increase traffic creating a hazard for pedestrians and increase congestion for commuters, lower property value, change the habitat for local wildlife and flora, as well as create additional issues for the community.

Most importantly the Health and safety concerns of all the residents living in the area being impacted. Allowing these gas stations to be built near waterways and bodies of water can lead to contaminated water as well as being so close to communities sets a precedent for others to be built in similar locations. There are already two gas stations with 1/2 mile of that location.

Having a gas station/convenience store so close to our community and homes makes me very concerned for the environmental impact it would have especially to our well water and noise pollution. I don't see the need since just a few miles to the next exit there are plenty of those resources already present as well as the 2 gas stations/convenience store at this exit.

Water is life and we need to protect the watershed for our community.

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I moved to Warren county over 10 years ago to get away from the hustle of everyday traffic / life in Fairfax. Warren county is a rural county, much the same as Fauquier, whom declined to rezone a site only miles away from the proposed site in Linden because Fauquier wanted to remain rural. Does the Warren County Board of Supervisors care that much less for their constituents? We of Apple Mountain are aware that Sheetz intent is to put a truck stop in that plot of land. Despite their promise to build "just" a convenience / gas station store there will be nothing to hold their feet to the fire if that property is rezoned as commercial. That particular intersection receives a tremendous amount of traffic by itself let alone adding semitruck traffic attempting to fuel up. There are already places within 20 miles of Apple Mountain for semitrucks to fuel up without being a burden to the residence that use Rt. 55 to travel southward on 340 / 522 as well as Apple Mountain residents. It would seem to me that if the Warren County Board of Supervisors allow for this property to be rezoned as commercial then they informing their Warren County constituents that commercial money is more important than its voters.

My #1 concern is for the safety of our neighborhood children who will have to go to a GAS STATION to get to and from school every day. Once dangerous people figure out that there are kids waiting for the school bus every morning at this proposed Sheetz, I am 100% sure it will be a matter of time before a school child will be harmed in some way, whether it be in the parking lot, being followed home by a predator in his/her car, being hit by a car, approached by a human tracking ring, a pedophile, or other criminal threat. I am also concerned about the environmental effects this will take right on our neighbors, and especially our water systems. Sheetz can go build somewhere else where they will NOT threaten the daily safety of our neighborhoods' children, and our homes.

Our quiet community does not desire nor need a commercial truck stop

The onslaught of congestion of traffic the garbage food !

Traffic, litter, and destroying the environment

traffic and saftey for kids and residents

Reduced risk of sex trafficking. Environmental Already 2 gas stations less than a half mile. Will increase crime and transient traffic.

Having a gas station at the entrance to where I live is not very appealing, along with the decrease in home values as well as safety of the children who use the bus stop.

Increased Risk to children and pedestrian safety (the bus stop would be across the street) so the risk of a child/ pedestrian getting hit would absolutely increase due to high traffic Increased crime rate Our mountains Wells drying up due to a major increase in water usage Pollution of our land (I.E trash, littering, fuel and oil spills) also forcing our wildlife further from their homes and increasing the risk of more accidents due to animals being struck by vehicles on the highway. Air pollution More light pollution More traffic and traffic accidents due to high volumes of vehicles coming off the highway.

Ruin the ambience of The area. Too much traffic as it is. We moved to the mountain for a reason to get away from the stuff.

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For the safety of our children and our community, it makes absolutely no sense to allow a convenience store/gas station to be built at the foot of our community. The proposed gas station will attract countless travelers from the interstate. Why would anyone think it is a good idea to relocate our bus stop next to a gas station? This would have a negative impact on our property values, especially to our neighbors who live along the property line. In addition, I foresee an increase in crime, traffic, and environmental hazards such as underground fuel storage and impacts to our water. Commercial property has no positive outcome being located next to a residential community. Do not rezone the property!

Increased pollution, traffic, negative impacts to the water table, and danger to children at the bustop.

what concerns me most is the environmental impact and to local businesses there, but the I am also concerned about the increase of noise and traffic. we already have 2 gas stations in that area

I am concerned that the proposed gas station-convenience store will jeopardize the health and safety of children in the community, who wait for the bus there. I am also concerned about the additional pressure on infrastructure, including water, electricity, etc. Plus, the additional traffic will bring noise, pollution, and risks to the community. Please consider our concerns seriously.

Our safety and health would be in danger, and would have negative impact on our wellbeing.

Traffic, congestion, crime

Major concern is my children's safety with added traffic near proposed school but stop. Many more concerns...wells, continuation, home depreciation etc!

to much traffic and pollution

There will be too much traffic in the area and the noise level higher then what it is now.

Property Value Decrease for the entire mountain, the noise and light pollution for the mountain residents will be insane, what about the safety of the kids at the bus stop? What about the small town feel for the locals?

What about the business at the other gas station across the highway... just sad overall

I am very concerned about the proposed Sheetz right next to our residential community. The land is currently zoned for agriculture use and should remain agricultural providing low impact to the area residents. If Sheetz truly wants to build in Linden they will put the building on Route 55 along with other commercial businesses. Where it belongs. The health and environmental impacts are numerous. I personally do not go near gas stations unless there is no other option. For many years (40+) the toxic fumes have made me sick causing headaches and nausea. I am very worried about a third gas station in our little community. Our community has not experienced sharp growth that would warrant rezoning the property and putting more than 800 home owners at risk. Not to mention using the same water table as our residents. I certainly do not have \$30,000 available for a new well when mine goes dry. The most troubling aspect is moving a school bus stop behind a gas station. What kind of idiot thinks it is ok to have children walking along side a gas station and then wait behind a gas station for a school bus. We are talking about elementary through high school age children. Not all parents can drive and wait with their children. Some children are dropped off and some children walk to the bus stop. I think it is important to write to everyone. The county school board, state school board, governor, media and anyone else the community that will listen to us. Please stop Sheetz.

Traffic, crime, de-valuation of our home and noise.

I am deeply concerned about the potential adverse effects on the health of nearby residents and the environmental impact.

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I'm concerned about what a additional gas station would do to our wells and the congestion of having a gas station/truck stop at the entrance to Apple Mt. We already have 2 gas stations at the bottom of the mountain and a 3rd seems to be very unnecessary and over kill.

There are enough gas stations around, this will bring more traffic, litter, and will take up way to much of the beautiful land people move out here for. We didn't move here to have the mountain destroyed by huge companies.

We have enough gas stations at the Linden exit and do not need to add to the congestion by adding another gas station. I am also concerned about the environmental impact to Linden.

My primary concerns are: increased congestion at Linden exit and risk of accidents; loss of school bus stop; and impact on water table.

The entire Blue Mountain area is supported by well water. There are issues now with the water table not supporting the existing residences. The proposed will further jeopardize if not deplete the existing water supply to the homeowners of Blue Mountain.

I am concerned about the gases and fumes that pollute the air in addition to hazardous pedestrians walkway

I just moved from a rental on Apple Mountain and have since been looking for a home to purchase in the same area. This decision to add a convenience store deters that idea entirely. To think of all the extra traffic and unwanted guests finding their way into the neighborhood is unsettling.

I am concerned of the environmental impact on my family's drinking water. Clean water is a necessity of life. and a gas station in such close proximity to our water table poses severe risk to our clean drinking water.

REMEMBER AVTEX? We are all on wells in Apple mountain. If the buried fuel tanks leak, which they do, as well as the certain pump spillage, our water table has the potential to be polluted and all of our homes on Apple Mountain will be useless. All of our hard work and investment gone, just like that. I am also worried our wells will run dry because of the excessive use a place like a gas station presents. I am not willing to gamble so some strangers coming down 66 have a place to refuel. We have 2 existing gas stations 1/4 mile down the road for that, that's plenty, not to mention all of the options in town. I do not want a traffic backup getting in and out of my neighborhood every day. I do not live in beautiful Warren County Virginia because I want to deal with a situation like that. The noise and light pollution are other reasons I do not want a gas station at the base of Apple Mountain. The potential for child predators with such a quick getaway right off the highway with a bus stop full of children sends chills up my spine thinking about it. A helpless child gone in the blink of an eye. Please keep Linden and Warren county safe and beautiful. NO SHEETZ IN LINDEN, PLEASE!!

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Our family purchased a home in Apple Mountain over 15 years ago. We moved here to raise our children in the clean peaceful tranquility that the local environment provides. Building a gigantic truck stop directly in our neighborhood would be a tragic event for all of the families who live here. Even if you could stop or ignore the problems that come along with a massive truck stop like drugs, prostitution and high traffic there would still be irreparable damage to the community. The amount of traffic noise and pollution that a truck stop like this would bring directly into our neighborhood could never be repaired. The local wildlife ecosystem would also suffer a massive disruption with permanent consequences. This must be stopped long before any building takes place. This land is zoned for agricultural and residential for a reason. It does not make sense to rezone the area into a commercial/industrial zone as it is directly in a large residential area. AML is a well-water community where families rely on the clean underground water source for their very life. That clean water source would be inevitably contaminated by this project. We already have two other gas stations at this exit that are placed away from the residential area and they can more than fulfill the needs of the local community. There is no positive outcome related to this truck stop for the homeowners in the AML community. This will only benefit the Sheetz corporation and the local politicians that will profit by destroying our community. Allowing this to be built on land that is legally zoned for only agricultural and residential purposes is a crime against every citizen of Linden. This project will tear apart a good community of tax paying citizens that have worked their entire life to pay for their property. There is a reason that this project has been rejected and kicked out of both Markham and Marshall in Fauquier County. We value our rural area attributes and our close-knit community. We do not desire to live in or raise our families in a bustling hub of dangerous activity like Fairfax County or Washington DC. The presence of this massive corporate truck stop would change our community for the worse and that change would be permanent. If this land is rezoned and this project goes through then our quiet beautiful town and neighborhood will be no more.

We already have 2 gas stations servicing Linden. Aside from the added pollution, noise and threat to neighbor kids everything north of I66 should be kept residential.

My family lives on the proposed border of Sheetz. Health, safety, and the wellbeing of my family are just the beginning of my concerns. Profit over the safety of our citizens should always come first!

My family and I are very concerned about the negative impacts the proposed Sheetz truck stop/gas station/propane refilling station will have on the health and safety of my family and entire community. The statistics have shown how detrimental a facility with hazardous chemicals can be when co-located with residents, ESPECIALLY when their homes are dependent on well water. In addition, adding a 3rd gas station when there are already 2 gas stations within 200 yards begs the question of the business need. With more people working from home, 1 of them is surely to go out of business or bankrupt leaving a financial liability for a community that has already suffered from County corruption and embezzlement. Please do not allow this rezoning and establishment to ruin our community and lives.

the trafficking, easy place for drugs to come in and out and the bus stop.

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We have an 11 year old grandson he uses the bus stop and without having a more secure location I not feel safe having him use it. If the bus stop was separated from store traffic it would be better. Also it takes away from what brought our family here 35 years ago and that is quite country peaceful living. I also feel it will lower our property values and deter other families looking for what we found from ever moving here. QUITE SAFE COUNTRY LIVING. What will be next at our exit a Dollar Store or a Holiday Inn. Where will it end wants it starts. Thank You Clifford Stieringer

its going to cause environmental issues along the mountain, unneeded traffic in the residential area and will have a negative effect when selling property. We moved to the community because its quiet and peaceful...a place we can go outside in the evening and see the sky..the light from the station will hinder that.

I am opposed to the development of the property that lies at the entrance of The AppleMountain Community at Exit 13 (66) for below reasons

- There are already two service stations and a restaurant with a few 100 yards of this location. Another is not needed.
- Water issues: All of the AppleMountain community have private wells. I myself have been battling a weak well since moving into this community 20 yrs ago. I can only imagine the further negative impact this proposal of a Sheetz or any other development will have on the water table in this area
- families that have children that meet the bus at this location, (APPROX 70 children) are going to be exposed to an establishment that will most likely sell alcohol and tobacco. The children would have to walk past the establishment to the back where the new proposed school bus stop will be located.
- Rt 66 and its proximity to Rt 81 is a major sex trafficking route, adding to the danger.
- If this property is zoned commercial and Sheetz does build, most likely they will further develop this into the super truck stop which was in the original proposal, only removing that part to placate any opposition to this plan, that might arise. This will emphasize any concerns above
- Under ground gasoline and/or diesel tank propose a health risk to the community
- The additional traffic and noise pollution is also a major concern
- This will have an impact on the wild life, wetlands, and definitely impact the rural flavor of this area.

I am against this property being zoned commercial and Sheetz or any other business located at the entrance of the ApppleMountain Community Iris Mensing
AppleMountain Lake Home owner

I have a family friend that lives on Apple Mountain, with 2 school age children. I couldn't imagine her kids having the bus stop right by Sheetz. I know I wouldn't want that for my kids. Very unsafe.

The safety of the children

This will put all the residents in Linden in danger of our wells going dry. Noise and light pollution along with massive traffic. It also puts the children At risk in the vicinity to drugs and sex trafficking.

When my husband and I moved out here from northern Virginia we did so to get away from things such as gas stations in our front yard. This gas station will ruin our wells, make it impossible to get in and out of the neighborhood, and simply does not belong on a mountain.

Negative Environmental impact on area, concerns for water supply contamination, eyesore that will detract from natural beauty of the area, noise & light pollution will disrupt citizens & wildlife, stranger danger to schoolchildren going to bus stop. Increased traffic is unwelcome here.

The destroying of natural and animal habitat. Increased traffic dangers and concerns. Major safety concerns about Sheets following OSHA state and county laws.

Our well water and safety of our residents are not yours to decide on. We moved to a rural community to live in a rural community. Your profits at the disposal of this neighborhood is not okay. My property values should not be impacted because warren county needs to increase their profits - go where wells are not impacted.

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Destroys the beauty of the area. There are enough gas stations around. Does not fit into this community

1) safety of my children and family. 2) impact on environment 3) we moved out here to get away from the traffic rush and city chaos. Building a sheetz at the bottom of the mountain takes away from everyone's peaceful living

Excessive ground water usage and potential contamination by petroleum products. Increased traffic at the entrance to and through our private Apple Mountain Lake community. Safety of our children at the Sheetz bus stop shelter. Additional future commercial development on this property. The rezoning of agricultural land to commercial zoned land.

its going to harm our environment. It will displace animals. Endanger the children at the bus stop. And lots of people already have water issues on the mountains. The traffic is dangerous enough through that intersection with the 2 gas stations that are already there.

Kids safety and well-being will be affected.

my kids & grandkids & great grandkids live in the Apple Mountain Community as their retirement home. I plan to visit & spend time with family, & I will not spend a penny of my money on any Sheetz stores, until this decision is recended. I do not support this business that will not take into consideration for the proximity of already established families living & using the water, air, & land as a normal part of living in the country mountain area. Do Not let this greedy business come here.

I am concerned about the school children, and the people who live in the vicinity. I am also considering moving to that area in the future. If Sheetz is allowed to build in the area, I would definitely change my mind about moving there.

I believe the re-zoning will interrupt the beautiful land we share. I do understand why it has to be here. It would seem more suited for a different exit, more suited for this proposal. We have 2 gas stations close buy. I would hate the rush of having small business risk losing their stores. I don't have as much information as others however, I am a customer concerned resident and can pray that our voices can be heard.

Too close to residential development. Children's bus stop and proximity to proposed location not safe. With human trafficking a real problem it's not a good idea. Do we really need another gas station. Let's focus on real jobs. Technical high paying jobs. Jobs we can attract our citizens to stay and work local.

This new gas station, convenience store and truck stop will bring more traffic intoo our nice mountain neighborhood and trash, drugs and prostitution will follow. There is also a school bus stop for the entire apple mountain area close to the location. Nothing good will come to the community with this new facility.

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I am a mother of two, a homemaker, and a hobby potter who works from home. My husband has over 30 years of experience in the petroleum industry doing environmental compliance and service work. He has extensive knowledge of the inner workings of gas stations and C-stores operations, and knows in great detail the many issues we'd face should a C-store/gas station be built near us. Our home is located in the Apple Mountain Lake subdivision in Linden, Virginia (Warren County), very near to the site of the current Sheetz proposal for which they are requesting re-zoning in order to build. Our family vehemently opposes the re-zoning of this property at the base of Apple Mountain from Agricultural to Commercial for the following reasons:

1. Our 920 foot deep well draws from below Rt. 66, from the same water table that the proposed gas station would be built on top of. Our drinking water would most certainly be affected. It would be contaminated by run-off, spills, and leaks, which are unavoidable if a gas station were to be built here. Fuel, when entering a water table, rises to the top and works its way up. In this scenario, toxic fuel would rise to the top of our well shaft to where our well pump is located (around 350 feet), and this would absolutely poison us.
2. Traffic at the intersection of I-66 and Apple Mountain Road at the main entrance/exit of our subdivision is already overly congested. Exit 13 off of I-66 is the main roadway to Rt. 55, and, aside from it being used daily by Apple Mountain, Blue Mountain and High Knob residents (among others), it is also the main route that most Front Royal residents use for their daily commutes. Were a gas station, or any other commercial development, to be built on the north side of I-66, the current infrastructure would not be able to support the influx of additional thru traffic coming from the highway. It can barely handle the local traffic as it is. If this site does become commercially developed, our emergency services access would be greatly reduced, adding costly transit time to and from our mountain (and surrounding communities) when there are emergencies. Our roads would be unduly taxed as well, especially during morning and evening rush hour times.
3. We, and every neighbor we've spoken with who has children, are appalled at the notion of our children having their school bus stop located in a public commercial development or gas station. This is far too dangerous an idea, is completely absurd to even suggest, and is not acceptable in any way. Considering the high rates of child predators and child abductions, the easy access to the freeway, and the often shady element of frequenters of convenience stores, it's despicable to even suggest this scenario. Also, alcohol, cigarettes and candy are sold at convenience stores, creating an unhealthy added lure to teenagers.
4. Environmentally, we value our green spaces beyond measure. We moved to the mountain for this reason and this alone. Should this space become zoned as commercial, we would be forced to move as our list of concerns

I have a family of three and a dog and moved here from Prince William County due to the remote and residential atmosphere of Linden. I am scared that changing the area by the apple mountain bus stop to commercial would open this community to dangers that are unnecessary. As a former police officer, I just don't believe that a small profit margin is worth the added traffic, kids skipping school, and pollution to the water and air of the mountain homes directly behind the site. An additional sheetz just this year went in at exit 6. We don't need a 2nd in our backyard. There are plenty of places for trucks to stop and rest and people to shop between here and interstate 81. Please don't take away the beautiful and peaceful nature of our community and make this area as congested as other parts of 66. People drive from all over Virginia and Maryland specifically to see the greenery and small town atmosphere of front royal and Linden. Please don't ruin that with a hasty decision.

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I am very concerned about how the building of Sheetz is going to affect the water table on the mountain. I am not happy that the bright lights will add to light pollution and I'm sure the noise pollution will be heard by nearby homes. A Sheetz was just built in Front Royal we don't need another gas station. Homes are too close to this proposed project. I respectfully urge that you consider the huge negative impact this will have on the town.

Safety of children

Environmental and public health & safety

The safety of the community, added traffic to the area, and environmental concerns on the mountain. There are already two gas stations and adding a third to this community is not needed.

I'm concerned about traffic entering and leaving Apple Mountain. It's already congested seasonally, more development is problematic. Water is also a huge issue. Property devaluation will be at the homeowners expense while Sheetz prospers.

Crime , Pollution, Insufficient water supply, unwanted traffic.

The water tables will become polluted and there may not enough water to sustain the wells on Apple Mountain.

We don't need more options in our small town. My town is at risk for drug trafficking and sex trafficking ring. Big trucks come with drama.

Hazardous exit already. Adding trucks will cause a bottle neck and they're are already convenience stores and gas in the area.

- Light pollution. - Noise pollution. - Ground water Contamination. - Safety for our kids. - Safety for our community. - Crappy Food (Food Swamp). - Traffic Congestion at front of our community.

As a resident of Apple Mountain Lake I am signing this petition to stop commercial development In our rural community. This will produce nothing but negative impacts to my neighborhood - which include homes, water consumption, residents, children and wildlife. To allow the zoning to change from agricultural to commercial in this rural community - with property owners relying on well water - is a travesty. Travelers need only to drive five miles further for access to a Sheetz.

1. The safety of all the families , especially the children on the mountain that know right now they are safe enough right now to take a walk on the mountain alone . With this new plan that would not be safe for them anymore , human trafficking is at a all time high and by putting a sheetz right here you are just giving the traffickers a new spot to work/recruit . Then the wildlife is at danger with light pollution, noise pollution, chemical pollution.. science deems these things s unsafe for wildlife and humans so why go against what's safe for us ? We chose to live on a mountain to be secluded not to be a open target .. we also support Apple Mountain Exxon 100% and we don't want anything at all taking from them .. we don't want you here Sheetz , there's no need for it we have what we need when we are in our homes on the mountain! Thanks but no thanks!

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Apple Mountain, in Linden, is a quiet neighborhood on the outskirts of Warren County and adjacent to Fauquier County. Exit 13 already boasts two gas stations and a popular local eatery for locals and tourists. A Sheetz represents competition to the established gas and convenience markets, in addition to the Apple House. More important, it brings light, noise, traffic congestion, and endless bustle to the adjacent neighborhood of Warren County residents. Warren County has progressed over the two decades I have lived here, but adding yet another gas station/convenience store to a country teeming with them is not only unimaginative and unnecessary but a huge step backward. Let us be thoughtful and intentional in our zoning, knowing that we are custodians of taste, natural beauty, and a community of residents who love not sprawl but sanctuary.

NOTHING GOOD WILL COME FROM THIS GAS STATION OTHER THAN PUTTING MONEY IN SOMEONES BANK ACCOUNT!! SERIOUSLY??? A BUS STOP BEHIND YES BEHIND A GAS STATION???? Where kids are left sitting and waiting to be picked up by parents who are running late??? What is wrong with the Head Honchos at SHEETZ that are parents and homeowners that want a safe and healthy environment for THEIR families???? Then lets address our Warren County Boards that have lost the trust of the people they are SUPPOSED TO REPRESENT!! This county has enough scandal. Does it want more???

Congestion, traffic. If they wouldn't allow a Chic-Filet in Warren County then we don't need a Sheets in Linden. If the county needs more money then they need to recover the money that they allowed to be stolen by their cronies in the EDA.

1. I'm concerned about the environmental impact that a Sheetz will cause. 2. People come to Warren County because of its beauty. Nothing about Sheetz is beautiful. 3. There is a bus stop at the base of Apple Mountain that will be directly affected by Sheetz. 4. We already have a 711 and an Exxon located at that exit.

I use that exit often, and would like to keep it more rural.

OUR HEALTH. We are a young family with a healthy 5 months old baby, and we live within 500 ft. range of the proposed gas station. We are hardworking people, we love and take care of our family and our home. Like every single home in this community, we have a well water; a gas station so close to our home would pose horrendous effects on the quality of water we drink, cook with, wash with. It would expose our child, myself, my husband, and every living soul in this home to serious and dangerous health issues such as cancer, or low-birth weight for the future children we will have!!! OUR SAFETY. A bus stop used by all-age children anywhere close to a gas station would unfold tremendous risk for our children: drugs, crime, human trafficking, pollution, unhealthy food. The entire community would face devastating effects of water and air and light pollution, increased crime, decreased property value, wildlife disruptions. WE DON'T FEEL SAFE if a gas station is built so close to us.

The proposed gas station will bring a lot of vehicular traffic to an area where children get off/on the bus, and they travel on foot to their homes. Avoiding Even one accident with a child should be enough reason.

My concerns include the negative environmental impact on the area, the safety and security of our children at the bus stop, and the increased traffic in the area.

As a mother of 3 small children, I am concerned for their health and safety. The more traffic that is brought to our community, the higher to crime rate will rise. I also have environmental concerns regarding ozone pollution and groundwater contamination. As someone who has autoimmune issues and family history of cancer cause by environmental hazards, toxins from Benzene is too great of a risk for me, my family and neighbors.

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I do not want this Sheetz because of what it will do to traffic. I will not allow my children to go to a bus stop behind this facility no matter how nice and accommodating it is. This backs up to peoples yards, and much wild life is taken away

For the safety of my children going to the bus stop. The county's drug/crime problem is at record #'s right now, I do not want my children watching such activity. I am also opposed do to the noise and light pollution.
